COMMENDS THE AMERICANS.

Their Management of the District Assigned Them in Pekin

BRINGS WORDS OF PRAISE.

American and Japanese Quarters the Best Managed in the City-Germans Cause Irritation.

London, Dec. 26 .- In the course of a review published in the Morning Post today of the conditions existing at Pekin, H. J. Whigham, the well known newspaper correspondent, says there are now a quarter of a million of inhabitants pursuing their ordinary avocations in the American quarter. The markets are all in full blast. He adds that the American and Japanese quarters are in all respects the best managed, "showing ability on the part of the Americans to handle a subject people whom they have not developed else-

where, to proper advantage."
Continuing, Mr. Whigham says: "This enormous portion of the city is policed by exactly one company of infantry, and a few mounted men under a proand a few mounted men under a proyost mashal. If only these hard-headed
goldiers of the provost marshal type
had been given a free hand in the
Philippines the task of subjugating the
unfortunate islanders would have been
much more simple. If the Japanese
have come out of the muddle with fiying colors they at least have the Americans close behind. It was worth send. ing an expedition to China if only to get a few hints on the transport from the Americans. Their scheme of municipal government could not be bettered by the British, who have learned the by the British, we have learned the business experience in every quarter of the globe. For the point of contrast it is only necessary to walk down the avenue of the Chinese city dividing the United States and Germany. The American side of the street is simply Pekin in the ordinary garb of peace, minus its variegated smells. The op-posite side is almost deserted. The Germans have to come to the American side for meat and vegetables, and it is whispered that the country people are sometimes robbed as they bring in the produce, except where the gates are British, Amrican or Japanese. That is why the markets in the quarter con-trolled by these nations are the best."

the activity of the German troops in the districts under British protection. So acute has been the feeling that there has been a question of the British se-

of an air-tight stove, the Providence Methodist Episcopal church (colored) was partially burned this morning and the pastor, Rev. J. L. Leonard, was fa-

Caused Three Deaths.

Bryan, O., Dec. 26.-While Wayne Crowell, aged 24, and Charles Canan, aged 21, were crossing the Wabash rail read tracks near Blakeslee last night on their way to a Christmas dance, they were struck by a passenger train and instantly killed. Mrs. Canan was notifled of the accident and the shock caused her death.

Crowe Keeps Quiet.

St. Joseph, Mo., Dec. 26.—The local po-ce have ben unable to locate Pat Crowe, wanted for kidnapping young Cudahy in Omaha. Two officers declare they saw Crowe here a day or two after the kidnapping, but he cannot be located now. Smoe believe Crowe is being secreted by persons here who are known to be friendly to him.

Race War Danger Over.

Cementville, Ind., Dec. 26 .- The warmentville today, and no further out-breaks are expected. Samuel Kendall, in whose saloon a number of shots were fired, secured warrants for the arrest of Lee Ranger, who was wounded, and John Redmond, his companion, but neither was found.

Alvord Trial Deferred.

New York, Dec. 26.—The trial of Cornelius L. Alvord, Jr., the defaulting note teller of the First National Bank. which was set down for today in the United States circuit court, was postponed until the January term, which begins January 9.

Skaters Drowned. South Norwalk, Conn., Dec. 26.-John Kelley, aged 13, and Willie Hull, aged 10, were drowned last night while skating on the Union mills' pond at Norwark. Kelley broke through the ice and Hull, in trying to save him, also

Up Goes Oil.

Lima, O., Dec. 26.—Crude oil jumped up two cents per barrel today. North Lima oil is now quoted at \$2 cents, and South Lima and Indiana at 77 cents.

How Cleveland Voted.

Atlanta, Ga., Dec. 26 .- A controversy newspapers over the charge by one of them that former President Cleveland had voted for Mr. McKinley at the last election, the Atlanta Journal today received in reply to a telegram an auto-graph letter from Mr. Cleveland, in which he says he did not vote for President McKinley.

How the Turks Pay. Washington, Dec. 26.-Details are not obtainable here of the placing of an order by the sultan with the Cramps for warship, but it is understood that the statement to that effect from Constan thople is correct. From the character leved that the contract will involve the payment by the Turkish government to the Cramps of about \$2,500,000, which should afford an ample margin for the settlement of any proper claims Mainst the Turkish government.

Killed 1,000 Chinese, Maybe. Paris, Dec. 26.—A dispatch to the Ravas agency from Pekin, dated December 25, says the detachment of French troops, commanded by General Bailloud, were recently attacked by Chinese regulars and Boxers at Thi-Tacheou, south of Pao Ting Fu. The

punitive expedition took the village after a lively combat. Many cannon and a quantity of provisions and annual tion were secured. On account of the hostile attitude of the population, Gen. Bailloud burned the village and also those villages in the neighborhood. The Chinese loss was 1,000(?) men. Gen. Bailloud's force sustained no loss. Christian Chinese families have been maltreated by the Chinese regulars.

Fatal Kentucky Fend.

Hopkinsville, Ky., Dec. 26.—At Carl, Christmas evening, Robert Morris shot and killed Marion Henderson, who was advancing on him with two pistols. Morris escaped. The tragedy was the result of a feud between leading families and further bloodshed is expected. Ten years ago Lem Morris wounded Cush Henderson and a year later Jack Henderson killed Lem Morris.

Boers Took Them In.

Capetown, Dec. 26.-A squadron of eomanry which had been following the yeomanry which had been following the Boers from Britstown, is reported to have been entrapped. There were sev-eral casualties, it is said, and the re-mainder of the force was captured. Gen. Kitchener has left Naauwpoort

and has gone northwards.

The rapid concentration of troops in the disturbed districts through the personal energy of Gen. Kitchener has allayed the local uneasiness,

Deaths in the Philippines.

Washington, Dec. 6.—General Mac. Arthur's latest casualty list is as fol-

"Manila, Dec. 26.—Adjutant General, Washington—Following deaths have occurred since last reports: "Dysentery—Dec. 11. Company E., "Dysentery—Dec. 11. Company E, Thirty-eighth volunteer infantry, Edward A. Senny; Dec. 18. Company D, Fifteenth infantry, Corporal George D. Hozak; Dec. 14. Company A, Thirteenth infantry, John Pettry; Dec. 13. Troop G, Eleventh cavalry, Wm. L. Stone, Jr.; Dec. 16. Company B, Porty-first Infantry, Edward L. Van Burg; Dec. 14. Company K. Third infantry, David J. Parcell; Dec. 20. Company M, Thirty-ninth infantry, George J. Rehm; Company H, Forty-ninth infantry, Stephen Delta.

Delta.

"Variola—Dec. 19, Company E, Fortyeighth infantry, Thomas Love; Company G, Forty-eighth volunteer infantry, Edward Clarke.

"Malarial Fever—Dec. 13, Company C,
Thirty-sixth volunteer infantry, Alfred
H. Bolton; Dec. 13, Company C, Thirtythird volunteer infantry, Wm. J.
Wright.

Drowned-Dec. 18, Battery A, Sixth provided by Accident—Target practice,

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John Begley.
"Surgical Shock—August 26, Company
F, Forty-third infantry, Wm. E. Den-

tion—Dec. 10, Company G. Thirty-eighth volunteer infantry, Martin L. Patherman: Dec. 17, Company H. signal corps, U. S. A., Corporal Charles A.

why the markets in the quarter controlled by these nations are the best."

A dispatch to the Pall Mall Gazette from Pekin, dated Dec. 24, says:

"Much irritation has been caused by the activity of the German troops in the districts under British protection. So acute has been the feeling that there has been a question of the British secoding from the allied command."

Air Tight Stove Explosion.

St. Joseph, Mo., Dec. 26.—As the result of the fire caused by the explosion of an air-tight stove, the Providence

"All Other Causes—Dec. 15, Company F. Twenty-fourth infantry, Dunkerson; Dec. 18, Company H. For. ty-fourth volunteer infantry, Sergeant Charles C. Crane; Company E. Forty-ninth volunteer infantry, Islah Bruxton; Dec. 29, Troop B. Third cavalry, Henry A. Hall; Dec. 19, Forty-eighth infantry, Sergeant Major Wooten R. Bernathy; Dec. 26, Company B. Twenty-first infantry, Michael R. Diffy.

"MACARTHUR." 'All Other Causes-Dec. 15, Company

Says Mayor is a Gambler.

St. Paul, Minn. Dec. 26 .- A Bismarck, N. D., special says:
Judge Winchester, of the district
court, has issued warrants for the arrest of G. E. Patterson, mayor of the city, on a charge of operating a gambling house. Mayor Patterson was out of the city when the warrants were is-Bogue of a roulette table and its out-It is stated that the gambling apparatus in question is not the property

Roosevelt After Lions.

Denver, Colo., Dec. 26 .- J. B. Goff of Meeker, Colo., the famous White river hunter, who has been engaged to escort Vice President-elect Roosevelt on a hunt for mountain lions next month, passed through Denver today en routs nome from Colorado Springs, where he has been making arrangements for the

proposed hunting trip.
"I have about completed arrangements for Gov. Roosevelt's hunt, and it's going to be an interesting one." said Mr. Goff, "Our primary purpose will be to hunt the mountain lion, but we will run across and engage a few bears on the way. We will hunt in Coyote Basin, which has been absolutely free from men with guns this year, and there ought to be pienty of fierce game in that section. We will remain in the mountains about three weeks, and will take a dozen pack horses, loaded with provisions and supplies for that length of time,

Devery Will Go Out. New York, Dec. 26.-The Evening

Telegram says: Report has it at police headquarters today that the application of Chief o Police Wm. Devery for retirement is in the hands of Police Commissioner John B. Sexton. Whether this is true of not, there is a belief amounting almost to certainty that Devery will retire this

week, and that the new year and the new century will see another at the head of the uniformed police force of the city. If retired, Chief Devery would have \$3,000 a year for life. Liberian President Resigns.

Sierra Leone, West Coast of Africa, Dec. 26.—The president of Liberia, W. D. Coleman, resigned Dec. 11. owing to the disapproval of the legislature of his interior police. G. W. Gibson, the secretary of state, was elected president by the legislature.

Glass Marbles Trouble.

Steubenville, O. Dec. 26.-J. O. Nay-ler has been appointed receiver for the American Marbles company which has been running about two months. It is the only factory of the kind in the United States, the product being glass marbles. It is alleged that the firm is insolvent. There is also said to be a mix-up in regard to the issuance of the capital stock, which was presumably based on the value of the patent used by the con-

WE ARE OUT OF CHINA. No More Military Occupation for the United States.

Washington, Dec. 26.-A cablegram received at the state department from U. S. Minister Conger, dated at Pekin, on the 24th inst., states that the formal on the 24th list.

meeting between the diplomatic representatives and Prince Ching, took place on the 24th. Ching presented the credentials of himself and Li Hung Chang, who was unable to attend, owing to illness, to the diplomatic representatives, who handed to him the international note. The officials of the state depart. ment are unwilling to venture a guess as to the length of time that will be New York next Tuesday.

consumed by the Chinese government in consideration of the note.

The last article of the note notified the Chinese government that the occupation of Chi Li and Pekin may be continued until the Chinese government.

pation of Chi Li and Pekin may be continued until the Chinese government has complied with the terms of the note. It may be stated, however, that the United States is not bound or affected by this condition. Our occupancy from a military point of view has terminated, and there is no disposition to renew it. As for the other prizes, it is expected that the main obstacle they will encounter in withdrawing under this condition will be found in the difficulty in obtaining satisfactory guarantees from the Chinese promise to pay indemnities.

\$100,000 Fire.

Calgary, N. W. T., Dec. 26,-The most destructive fire in the history of Cal-gary raged today and wrought damage estimated at \$100,000. Several of the finest business structures were destroy-ed, among them being the Clarence, Eau Claire and New Norman block.

Pleasing Promises.

Karthoum, Egyptian Soudan, Dec.26. Karthoum, Egyptian Soudan, Dec.25.—
Lord Cromer, the British diplomatic agent, reviewed the Egyptian troops of the Soudan under the sirdar, Major General Sir Francis R. Wingate, today, He assured a deputation from the Dinka tribe, which formerly suffered severely from slave raids, that the British and Egyptian flags guaranteed them against such raids, and insured respect for their ancient customs. The chiefs departed, expressing greatingly. chiefs departed, expressing gratitude.

Gardiner Out, Philbin In.

New York, Dec. 26.-Eugene Philbin who last week was appointed district attorney of New York county, assumed the duties of the office today.

Mr. Gardiner surrendered his office under protest. He said to his successor: under protest. He said to his successor:

"I would like to be clearly understood that I do not voluntarily surrender this office and that I protest against the action of the governor as being without authority in law. I am anxious, whilst protesting against this act and reserving all my legal rights, that the public business shall not be injured nor retarded, and to that end I will be pleased to co-operate with you in any way that you may think best in the way that you may think best in the

Mr. Philbin replied: "I thank you Mr. Philbin replied: "I thank you cordially for your kind words and your offer. It is hardly necessary, because I feel that you are ready to give me every assistance in your power, and I shall not hesitate to call on you. I thank you."

Then Col. Gardiner began the work of formal introduction of Mr. Philbin to all of his former staff.

REWARD IS RESCINDED.

The reward of \$200 offered by the Governor of Utah for the apprehension of John Maimgren, wanted for grand larceny in Sanpete county, and who es-caped from the court bailiff at Manti, has been rescinded by proclamation by the State's chief executive.

JUDGE TIMMONY'S COURT.

The usual throng of spectators that invade the police court each afternoon were somewhat surprised today by the scarcity of backsliders. James Donnelly, James Murphy and Willie Wilson were charged with vagrancy. They were arrested by Detective Sheets and a good case was made against them; but Judge Timmony gave the men an hour to leave town. They were glad of the charge town. were glad of the chance to go, and are now on their way to Mercur.

LATE LOCALS.

The blennial report of the board of regents of the State University was filed with Gov. Wells today.

County Commissioner-elect Harker received an urgent business call today to go to Wyoming. He will, according-ly, leave on this evening's train. He expects to return in a couple of days.

Many of the Mutual Improvement associations throughout the city will hold their regular weekly meetings tonight and on Wednesday next as Christmas and New Year's occur on Tuesday.

Miss Mollie Henderson of Willard City is spending the holidays with her relatives in this city; she will also attend the State school convention in this

Prof. John J. McClellan returned from mas. He says the idea that smallpox is prevalent at Payson is a graye mistake. The fact is there are but four cases of the disease in the town according to the city physician's report.

COAL DEALERS ARRESTED.

A complaint was filed in Justice Pardee's court today by Assistant County Attorney Ray Van Cott, charging George Crismon and Hyrum Jensen, coal dealers, doing business on Ninth East and Ninth South, with selling coal underweight. The complainant is Lorenzo S. Clark, a resident of Sugar ward, who claims that he ordered of the defendant on the 22nd inst., two tons of coal and received 365 pounds less than the amount ordered and paid for.

SMALLPOX CASES.

Ten of Them Reported to the Board of Health Today.

Ten new cases of smallpox were reported at the city board of health today. None of the victims, according to the physician in attendance, were vaccinated

the physician in attendance, was vaccinated by Drs. King and Fisher this

The following new cases of smallpox were reported to the Jocal health su-thorities Monday afternoon: Sylvester D. Bradford, aged 26, Camps Lane Center ward; Moroni Gillespie, Jr., aged 10, 64 north Seventh West; Lizzie Gillespie, 64 north Seventh West; Lizzie Gillespie, aged 18, same address; Rettle Gillespie, same address; Sallie Gillespie, same address; Sallie Gillespie, same address; Edwin Fletcher, aged 23, 525 west Second South; Eddie Lynn, aged 13, rear 257 west Fourth South; Walter Pierce, aged 19, 220 west Second South; Len Hill, aged 8, 267 north Flift West; Rowland R. Wallace, aged 23, 422 south First West; Thomas E. Taylor, aged 51, 49 south First West; Mrs. James, age not given, 434 west Flifth North.

Eight cases were released from quarantine today, making about 100 cases still existing in the city. Eighty-five school children wer

cinated today by Drs King and Fisher, making 466 since the 13th inst. Another case of smallpox was also reported, the victim being Samuel Evans, aged 6, 453 west Fifth South "Never vaccinated."

BOND INTEREST PAID.

City Treasurer Morris today remitted to New York on behalf of the municipality of Salt Lake, \$31,200, being the interest on the \$1,248,000 issue of 5 per cent bonds. The interest is due in

BIG INCREASE IN BUSINESS.

Holiday Trade Greater in Salt Lake Than Ever Before.

THE CLEARINGS COMPARED.

Statements of Actual Business Trausactions Post Office and Express Companies Nearly Swamped.

Today clearings\$466,363.95

Same day last year 350,139,07, While the bank clearings are only an approximation, a suggestion as it were, of the actual business done in any communty, these figures can be taken as ndicating pretty clearly the difference between the holiday trade of 1900 and that of 1899.

It is altogether likely that the amount of money expended on Christmas this year breaks the record of any previous year in the history of Sait Lake City. Peering into some of the big stores on Monday night it looked as though the money were literally being gathered up in shovelsfull, while the scenes on the street from early in the afternoon till near midnight, have never been approached for bustle, crush, brilliance or holiday enthusiasm. The sidewalks on East Temple street from the new Deseret News building and Zion's bank down to Third South street were almost apassable. At Second South the gestion was greatest, and the crowding nere was almost powldering, everyone seemed good natured, there was but little or no disorder and the spirit of Christmas cheer was every-

The amount of money the people had to spend told eloquently that the year has been a prosperous one in Salt Lake. has been a prosperous one in Salt Lake. While there was some complaint among dealers who had loaded up with skates and sleds and probably some among dealers in heavy lines of clothing, whom the long stretch of mild weather rendered somewhat blue, it can be said that generally everyone prospered by the holiday boom, and even clothing dealers had to smile when they say the

the heliday boom, and even clothing dealers had to smile when they saw the way their notions and furnishing goods were cleaned out.

Probably the biggest harvest was gathered by the jewelers, and nothing could better illustrate the plentitude of money in the community than the big sums paid for diamonds and other precious stones; probably, too, more precious stones; probably, too, more planos were sold than ever before, another fact that indicates that people handled their cheek books with greater freedom than for many a Christmas past.

GREAT POSTOFFICE CRUSH.

The man, or maid, who feels that he or she has been neglected by absent friends who reside outside of the State need not despair. All the Christmas packages have not been delivered yet; in fact those which came to town yesterday morning may be all delivered this afternoon. Then again they may

How is the Christmas rush this year?" mildly queried the reporter as he gazed thoughtfully at the troubled face of G. S. Chambers as he wrestied with a stack of registered mail calcumuch, but what he said was to point. Then he walked over to the big vault and with a comprehensive wave of his hand indicated that there were several parcels on cold storage awaiting delivery.
This is nothing to what it was last

night," he said, "for we could not get all the registered mail into the vault." The chamber is a good sized one too:
plenty big enough in which to swing
the proverbial cat. The floor was
stacked up in all directions with all
that kinds of packages which contained, apparently, all kinds of merchandise from watches to boxes of cigars, babies shoes, candy and hundreds of articles which are usually sent through the mail at Yuletide.

I never saw anything like it," he continued, "I show say that the advance has been famy 20 per cent over that of last year, and it still keeps coming. It is impossible to deliver the packages on time, but we have lived through the worst of it and the rush is beginning to slow down.'

Round on the other side of the delivery department the same story was to be encountered-only "more so." Un-der each locker wherein the individual carrier sorts his mail, was piled a huge heap of parcels that betokened that it would be some time before some pres-ents reached their destination. The carriers have been working hard but there is a limit to all things-even the carrying capacity of the welcome mail

It is not perhaps generally known but according to act of Congress a mail carrier is not allowed to work more than forty-eight hours each week; accordingly if he works overtime during a rush that time has to be allowed at the end of the week. The way things look at the present time there will have to be a delivery knocked out on Saturday, so citizens may govern themselves accordingly. It will not do any good to raise a disturbance at the office of Postmaster Thomas regarding the matter alther for he is garding the matter either for he is perfectly helpless as under the law a public holiday counts eight hours. However, there are hopes held out that everyone will get their mail by the end of the week. C. C. Slade, superintendent of the delivery department, is figuring out to that end and according-ly there is some hope. Needless to re-mark this has been one of Mr. Slade's busy weeks and he is still busy and will be so for some days.

"You perhaps can get some idea of how things are," he stated in answer to a query this morning, "when I say that this has been the busiest Christmas I have seen here by fully 20 per cent. We have had on four additional carriers and then we are unable to keep up with the rush. There have been two extra the rush. There have been two extra special delivery boys on for the past three days. Yesterday those boys worked from 7:30 a. m. until 11:30 p. m. and are still going it today." Indicative of the number of packages

and letters that have been sent through the special delivery department Mr. Slade turned to his books and found that up till noon today there had been exactly 2,112 specials delivered during the month of December. This total Lake postoffice.

In course of further conversation it transpired that Salt Lake has grown

considerably during the past year, so ling qualities for years past have endought without the ground and for the reason that knowledge or consent, and that they were not verified by the affidavit not desire the contest to be made.

will be put on permanently soon after January 1. With this addition there will have been seven carriers added to the force within a period of time extending over less than twelve months. When this is done the force will consist of thirty-seven men. At the present time there are sixty-five men employed in the postoffice, all of whom have been working up to their limit during the holidays. The rush has not been confined to one department alone been confined to one department alone but has been felt throughout the in-stitution of public service. The receipus at the money order and stamp windows have been away ahead of anything heretofore at Christmas time. During last week the money order day heretofore at Christmas time. During last week the money order department was issuing orders to all parts of the country and raking in the money. Today the employes are busy in paying out cash to the numbers of Salt Lakers who have been substantially remembered by their absent friends and relatives. Taking all in all everybody, from Postmaster Thomas dawn to the humblest employe around the processis thankful that the holida, nearly over.

AT THE EXP

At the various cific Express a has eclipsed at

figures of last y... of the present. It crease in the general t department has susteller trade. The r Supt. Wel

experienced such business before in the history of the establishment. It is estimated that the sales for the week before Christmas this year were at least 20 per cent in excess of those last year. 20 per cent in excess of those last year. Auerbach Bros, say that it would be impossible for them to make a just comparison on account of their clearing out sale. The sale of Christmas goods was of course lighter, because they did not buy anything new this year. The clearing out sale, however, has been prodigous, the store being crowded with purchasers all the time.

C. R. Savage, the book, toy and statinery dealer, states that he cannot say as yet just what the relative business this year and that of last is, but thinks there is an increase over last year.

there is an increase over last year.

J. H. Leyson & Co. have been riding on the crest of the wave also. They figure a great increase of business during the holiday week this year over the corresponding week last year.

"Does advertising pay?" exclaimed Mr. McConahay when queried as to his business. "Well, I guess so. I his business. "Well, I guess so. I have spent a lot of money in advertising the past month, but it has come back to me almost a hundred fold."

At the Cannon book store, now owned by the Deseret News, Mr. Lewis, the manager, said the trade was far in excess of previous holidays. There had been an expectally wood demand for the been an especially good demand for the more expensive lines of books and the enormous stock laid in of the latest standard novels had been almost depleted. Expensive stationery, too, had enjoyed a big run, and all lines of toys, barring sleds alone, had been almost entirely cleared out.

tirely cleared out. A rushing business was done by the florists. They were about as busy as they could be, and sold tons of holly, mistletoe and cut flowers. Some fancy prices were paid, too. The best Ameritions sold for \$2 per dozen, an advance

Prof. Daynes in speaking of Christ-mas trade this afternoon said that it was about the same with his firm this year as last, though the average for the month was thirty-three per cent in advance of that of the same month in Mr. Wallaco of the Dinwoodey Fur-

niture company is not prepared to state just the amount of the increase of the holiday trade this year over that of last year, but he says that it was consider-P. W. Madsen, the furniture man, figures that his holiday business this

year has been about 10 per cent in ex-The Freed Furniture company state that the holiday trade showed a slight falling off, but that the month of De-

cember was larger than December Fergus Coalter is very glad to state that his holiday trade this year is much better than it was last year.
F. M. Teets has the same thing to say. His holiday trade this year has been materially greater than a year ago.

Schramm, the druggist, says his to this year was 20 per cent greater than that of 1899. Gardner, the clothier, is unable to state just how much his holiday trade of the present year is in excess of that

of 1899, but he says that there is a very The Cohn Brothers say that the mild weather militated against their holl-day trade, but that it was fully as great this year as it was last and probably

some greater. The Calder music firm has enjoyed more prosperity during the week prior
- Christmas, the present year than
they did last year. They haven't yet
figured out the amount of the increase. Daynes & Sons, jewelers, had an in-crease of at least 30 per cent in their holiday trade of the present year. "I has been an unprecedented year for us,"

says Mr. Daynes. R. K. Thomas also enjoyed a portion of the excessive Christmas trade. He figures that his business for the holiday week this year was at least 20 per cent in excess of that of last year. The day before Christmas, he says, is the heaviest day he has had for nearly ten

years.
The Christmas trade tide swept around on First South street and poured a liberal amount of its treasure into the lap of J. S. Jensen, the jeweler, He says the sales this year were much in excess of last year but he is unable at the present time to state just what the increase amounts to

AUDITOR WOOD GIVES BONDS.

County Auditor and Auditor-elect George H. Wood, filed his official bond In the sum of \$15,000 with the county clerk today. His sureties are H. P. Henderson, Charles Read, W. S. Mc-Cornick and P. W. Madsen.

DEATH OF MRS. TAYLOR. Estimable Lady Passes Away at the Ripe Age of 87.

Mrs. Jane Ballantyne Taylor, wife of

the late President Taylor, passed quietly away this morning at the home of her daughter, Mrs. A. E. Hyde, 40 west North Temple street, at the ripe age of 87 years and nine months; the cause of death being old age and general de. bility. The deceased was well and favorably known in this community as being an estimable lady, whose sterthe privilege of her acquaintance. Mrs. Taylor is the mother of Richard J. Taylor of Ogden, Annie F. Hyde of this city and David John Taylor, now deceased. Deceased was born April 11, 1813, at the village of Shieldfield, near Edinburgh, Scotland, and at an early age Joined the Church and emigrated to this country, with the result that for the joined the Church and emigrated to this country, with the result that for the past half century she has been identified prominently with the development of this State. Funeral services will be held at the residence of A. E. Hyde, at 11 o'clock on Sunday morning, on which occasion friends will have the privilege of viewing the remains between the hours of 10 and 11 a. m.

BLANK BONDS SHIPPED.

Signed by the City Officials and Forwarded to Shepard & Co.

The 250 blank \$1,000 bonds were rewhiled Monday by W. P. O'Meara from pard & Co., of New York, and today y were signed by Mayor Thompson, Auditor Reiser and City Recorder strom, and shipped back to New ck. The money, it is thought, will hald over to the city within the next k or ten days.

DR. ORMSBY RESIGNS.

mber of State Board of Medical Examiners Will Locate in Idaho.

tr, O. C. Ormsby, formerly of Logan, the county, but now of Oakley, .ho, has tendered his resignation as sember of the State board of medical iminers to Governor Wells. In a ntnunication addressed to Governor

Wells, dated Oakley, December 23, 1900. Dr. Ormsby says he resigned because he had concluded to locate in Idaho alto-gether. He will move his family to Oakley next spring. The resignation was accepted, but Governor Wells will not name a successor to Dr. Ormsby until the meeting of the next Legisla-ture.

RICHT TO SEAT IN THE LEGISLATURE

The case of Ephraim P. Eilison, contestant and appellant, vs J. G. M. Barnes, contestee and respondent, involving the right to a seat in the Senate of the next State Legislature, from the Third senatorial district, which embraces the countles of Davis, Morgan and Rich, came for argument before the Supreme court this afternoon. Attorneys Critchlow, P. L. Williams and D. H. Wenger appeared for the appellant, while the other side was represented by Judge Powers, J. H. Hurd and James H. Moyle.

rors of one of the boards of canvassers in declaring the result.

matters alleged, including the investigation of the returns made by various judges of election, and the counting of pallots for the purpose of comparison with the returns upon which the final result is based. It was shown that the election certificate of Mr. Barnes (Democrat) was issued to him, but by virtue of a leclared majority of one vote only. Mr.

Ellison (Rep.) claims that errors were committed sufficient in each instance to hange the result and in the aggregate f sustained by the court, to elect Mr Ellison by a majority of about twenty A citation was issued on December 12th, before Judge Rolapp, at Farmington. Mr. Barnes, by his attorneys, demurred upon several grounds. The only ground urged, however, was that in-

and upon this contention Judge Rolapp passed in ruling upon the demurrer and dismissed the case solely upon that Therefore, the only question raised in the court below and presented to the Supreme Court is the question of juris-diction of courts of the State to enter-tain a contest when the office involved is that of a member of the Legislature, or, as a corollary, the constitutionality of chapter 9, title 18, of the Revised Statutes so far as the same purports to

Arguments were in progress at press time. It is expected that the matter will be taken under advisement, and an ear-yadecision rendered.

authorize judicial contests in such

QUARREL OVER RAILWAY STOCK.

Detroit Streetcar System Involved in the Suit.

PARTNERSHIP IS AN ISSUE.

Amount Involved Goes Into the Millions - Points in the Dispute.

New York, Dec. 26.—Decision was reserved by Justice Blanchard, in the Supreme court today, in an action brought by Tom L. Johnson, against R. T. Wilson & Co., bankers and brokers, for an injunction restraining the defendants from disposing of the stocks and securities of the Detroit Street Railway system, pending the trial of a suit for the dissolution of an alleged partnership ex-

dissolution of an alleged partnership existing between Johnson and R. T. Wilson & Co. Mr. Johnson also asks that a receiver be appointed for the railway. The origin of the suit was the purchase in 1894 by the defendants of the Detroit Street Railway system, after which Mr. Johnson became associated with them in its management, R. T. Wilson & Co. began the purchase of the concern in the fall of 1894, and after they had succeeded in so doing, they brought in Mr. Johnson as an associate in January, 1895. He was to ing, they brought in Mr. Johnson as an associate in January, 1835. He was to have a one-fifth interest in the company of all stocks purchased or to be purchased by R. T. Wilson & Co., in connection with the carrying out of the project for the consolidation of all the surface railroads in and about Detroit. Mr. Johnson was also to have charge of the working of the company at a salary of \$10,000 a year. R. T. Wilson & Co. were to have the management of the finances of the corporation and were to form such syndicates and outside arform such syndicates and outside arrangements with regard to the securities, as they deemed fit. The contract between Johnson and R. T. Wilson & Co. was to terminate within three years if possible, but did not so terminate, and was extended from time to time until November last.

until November last. The reason of the failure to close the agreement was the formation of a new company for the acquirement of the Detroit Street Railway system which was known as the three-cent fare combination, which was engineered by the firm of Pack & Everitt, who secured a franchise on making a stipulation that they would carry passengers for a 3-cent fare, and who succeeded in acquiring between fifty and sixty miles of streets under that The action is a statutory one brought under the provisions of chap. 9 of the Revised Statutes. The grounds of the contest are: Malconduct on the part of certain judges of election; the reception of illegal votes; errors of the judges of election in counting the votes, and errors of the judges of election in counting the votes, and errors of the judges of election in counting the votes, and errors of the judges of election in counting the votes, and errors of the judges of election in counting the votes, and errors of the judges of election in counting the votes are statutory one brought franchise.

The scheme of Pack & Everett seriously interfered with the plans laid down by R. T. Wilson & Co., and they made a settlement with Pack & Everitt in 1896 whereby Pack & E ized under the laws of Michigan. in declaring the result.

The relief asked for involves the hearing of testimony as to the various

* Everitt, however, did not deposit the full amount of seventy per cent of the stock in the three-cent fare company, and the question of a balance was made

and the question of a balance was made a basis of negotiations as was also the amount R. T. Wilson & Co., should pay for the stock already deposited. These negotiations continued until the middle of November last and on November 24th an arrangement was made between R. T. Wilson & Co., and Pack & Everitt. Mr. Johnson claims that he, on November 17th, orally gave notice that he wanted his share of the securities and that he would pay his one-fifth share of the outlay by Wilson & Co., in their purchase, the amount expended being over \$5,000,000.

R. T. Wilson & Co., deny that Johnson gave any notice that he desired a dissolution of the alleged partnership prior to the making of the Pack & Everitt agreement. They admit that, in the beginning of December, he did give a written notice demanding that the partnership be dissolved.

writer notes definition that the part-nership be dissolved.
Wilson & Co., paid \$5,000,000 for the purchase of the roads acquired by them, but say that Johnson has not yet paid his one-fifth of that sum and cannot therefore claim one-fifth of the securities. Johnson's reply to this is that he offered to pay it and was ready to do so at any time, and that he is therefore, entitled to receive the one-fifth of the stock contemplated in his agreement of 1895. The injunction asked for by him calls for the restraining of the carrying out of the Pack & Everitt agreement settled on by R. T. Wilson & Co., as well as debarring the transfer of the se-

curities held by the defendants.

Justice Blanchard will not render his decision until he has received briefs from counsel on both sides on the law of

STRICKEN FROM THE FILES.

Oscar C. Barton Says He Did Not Want to Contest the Election of Sheriff Abbott of Davis, and That Proceedings Were Begun Without His Knowledge.

[SPECIAL TO THE "NEWS."]

Farmington, Dec. 26.-There was a semi political-judicial surprise here this afternoon when the case of Oscar C. Barton, late Republican candidate for sheriff of Davis county, against L. E. Abbott the Democratic candidate for the same office, was stricken from the files at the instance of the plaintiff himself though the motion to do so

came from the defense. The former was represented by Senator Arthur Brown, of Salt Lake, and Attorney A. B. Hayes, of Ogden, while the latter was represented by Attorney C. C. Richards, of the firm of Richards

and Allison, of Ogden. As will be remembered the case was recently brought to have the certificate issued to Abbott as sheriff declared null and void, and to have it further declared that Barton was elected to the office and to order the issuance of a certificate to him. On the opening of court the defense moved to strike the complaint and contest from the files

of Mr. Barton, the contesting party, as required by law, but by another party outside of the case altogether. It ap-pears that the proceedings were instituted while the plaintiff was quaran-tined at his own home on account of smallpox. It appears also from the fol-lowing affidavit that the action was taken without his knowledge or con-

State of Utah, ss .- Oscar C. Barton deposes and says that he is of lawful age, and that he is the plaintiff in the above entitled action, and that said ac-tion was brought without his previous authorization, knowledge or consent, and that the same was not subsequently ratified or approved by him. That he disapproves the bringing of such action, and that he does not wish to contest the validity of the election of L. E. Abbott to the office of sheriff for the said

Wherefore plaintiff prays that said be forthwith OSCAR C. BARTON. Signed.

The above was certified to by R. W. The above was certified to by R. W. Barnes notary public under date of the 24th inst. The plaintiff also sent a letter to the defendant in which he made substantially the same statement and in which he relterated that the case had been brought without his knowledge or consent, and that he did not desire the contest the made.